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In re Patent Application of:
Hideki Sasaki

Application No.: 09/830,554

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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING MAGNETIC
RECORDING MEDIUM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This preliminary amendment, filed with a Request for Continued Examination, is also in response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2002 (Paper No. 9). Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add new claims 11 to 19, as introduced below.

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7. A process for producing a magnetic recording medium which comprises:
applying a non-magnetic layer coating material onto a non-magnetic support;
drying the coating material to form a non-magnetic layer;
curing the non-magnetic layer after drying the non-magnetic layer coating material;
and
applying a magnetic layer coating material more excessively than an intended
magnetic layer-wet thickness onto the non-magnetic layer by using a die nozzle coating followed

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